



Celebrate St. Paul's!



137 years of service

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COME AND HAVE BREAKFAST

As I look ahead to the month of June---we have a lot going on at our little country church!

We'll kick things off with a "Grace House Blessings" on June 4th; and then we'll be debuting our "Pancakes at Paul's" free community breakfast on Monday, June 5th (and, God-willing, we'll do it the 1st Monday of every month!).

Shortly after that, we're co-sponsoring the Bowmansville "Community Fun Days" on Saturday June 10th; and the featured "praise band" that morning (actually taking the stage at noon) is your favorite lineup of musicians from St. Paul's! PLEASE be there to cheer us on (but, ladies---please, no storming the stage!).

On Friday evening June 23rd, once again your favorite musical lineup from St. Paul's will be on stage at the Mt. Gretna Tabernacle in support of Carrie Call at their 7PM worship program. Please plan to attend.

And of course, in addition to these special events, June is filled with other important days like Father's Day, Trinity Sunday, Flag Day, the 1st day of summer, and many birthdays and anniversaries.

So, get ready for a fun month.
and let's start by having breakfast!

Phil

Jesus said to them,
"Come and have breakfast"
John 21:12



Mission Statement

We, the congregation of St. Paul's United Church of Christ, who have accepted the gift of love and salvation through Jesus Christ, strive to take this message into the world through our prayers, words and deeds. We invite all people to accept these gifts with us.



“Community Fun Day”

Enjoy games, rides, food and great music

ALL FREE

Saturday, June 10

10am until 8pm

Bowmansville Memorial Park

*Our very own **GHB Musicians and Singers** will be performing on stage beginning at noon.*



Community Church Service

Sunday, June 11

10:30am

Bring your lawn chairs



Sponsored by St. Paul's & Bowmansville Mennonite Churches

Looking Ahead

June 4	Trinity Sunday
June 5	Pancakes at Paul's
June 10	Community Fun Day
June 11	Community Church Service
June 18	Father's Day
June 23	Mt. Gretna Service
July 4	Independence Day
July 30	Communion

Consistory News

I want to start off my report for June, thanking Kim and Dee for getting everything organized for the first yard sale at St. Paul's. The weather was not the greatest, it was a cold damp day, causing the majority of stand holders to be inside, with the exception of the Lutz's and Phil being in the garage. I think everyone had a goodtime and we look forward to the next one in the fall. Pat and I have nothing left to sell, but we have informed Dee and Kim we will provide the food for the next one.

Our pews are gone from upstairs, thanks to JDog Junk. We got rid of the 7 large pews that were sitting in the hallway upstairs. To my surprise each of these large and very heavy pews were carried down the back stairs with two men and loaded on a trailer. Phil can now run back and forth in the hallway, without tripping over the pews. The only downside was, we could not find a buyer for the pews, so it ended up costing \$500.00 to get rid of the pews.



Clean Up

As stated in my previous report, St. Paul's is going to start "Pancakes at Paul's". This free breakfast was going to start May 18th. But, after further consideration, the breakfast will begin, on June 5th, 6am to 9am. This will continue every month on the first Monday. This will be a free breakfast but a donation basket will be available. Please come out and enjoy pancakes, sausage, and drinks.



As everyone at St. Paul's should realize by now, the present consistory is making every effort the past several years to keep improving our little church. So, in a few weeks you will not only see our social hall getting a new coat of paint, but new vertical blinds will be installed. I want to thank Steve for taking the lead on finding a company to install and provide the blinds. We are also getting some work done outside on the wall at our flowers beds. The wall is down in some areas and needs to be repaired. We have also contacted landscapers to give us a quote on getting some landscaping done along the side of our church.



On Friday, June 23rd, at 7pm. Carrie Call is having a service at the tabernacle in Mt. Gretna. Phil and the other GHB musicians and vocalists will be participating playing their latest hits. Mark your calendars and plan to attend. It is free, and we would like to show our full support from St. Paul's.



Our next consistory meeting will be Sunday, June 11th, following church service

Tim Lutz
Consistory President

Prayer Concerns: We will be updating our prayer list monthly by starting a new list at the beginning of every month.

Please continue to review the list and if there are any updates during the month please contact Phil Shober or Dee

Sprecher. We also have prayer request cards located in the parlor room and in the pews upstairs for your convenience. You can fill out the request and turn it in to the church office or place it in the offering plate.

As you continue your own prayers and concerns outside of the sanctuary this week, please remember the concerns we have raised as a community.

Our list of prayer concerns from May

Gary, Gene, Jenny, Hannah, Harper’s bunny, Kieran, Kristen, Mary, Renee, the Houck family, the Hockley family, and the Hoffert family.

Suggested Prayer... “Most gracious and loving God, we lift up our list of prayer concerns this day and every day that all who are listed might know and feel your presence with them in their time of need. God, continue in your support for all of our friends and family listed and those who are forever in our hearts so that they might feel you with them each day, Amen.”

If you would like to ask for prayers for someone please contact Kieran Connelly. Below is a list of the individuals on our Prayer Team that will pray for you throughout the week.

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|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Kieran Connelly | 717-471-5018 |
| Lynda Cooper | |
| Gretchen Martin | Jane Hoshour |
| Gerri Shober | Nancy Caffrey-Schafer |
| Steve Renninger | Chris Storms |
| Phil Shober | Donna Ozga |



Caring for Our Members

Please remember our members and friends in your prayers. Many in retirement villages and their homes are unable to attend church due to the pandemic and other health concerns.

Mary Tamerius
Faithful Living
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Room 156
Denver, Pa. 17517

Alta Hoshour
Ephrata Manor
99 Bethany Rd
Room# 123A
Ephrata, Pa 17522
717-738-7697

Betty Musser
566 Springville Rd
Apt 106
New Holland, Pa. 17557

Bill Sprecher
Fairmount Homes
2312 Wheat Ridge Drive
Ephrata, Pa. 17522

Harold Good
Garden Spot Village
433 S Kinzer Ave
Apt. 117GW
New Holland, Pa. 17557



Pastoral Visits or Emergencies

If anyone is in need of pastoral assistance please contact Phil Shober anytime via text or call at 610-780-3915 or email philipshober@gmail.com. You can also call the church office at 717-445-6256 or email the church secretary at dee@stpaulsuccchurch.org.



The People's Pantry

Below is a list of the current need requested for the food bank in Terre Hill.

- Pasta Side Mixes**
- Canned Fruit**
- Hamburger Helper**
- Assorted Soups**
- Mustard**

Below is a list of every day needs the Grace House ladies could use.

- Toilet paper**
- Tissues**
- Paper towels**

Any donations can be placed on the table in the parlor room.

Thank you for your continued support .



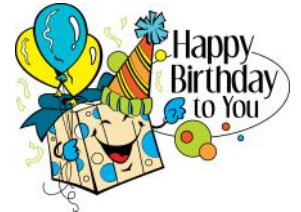
Updated Needs

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

June

- 6 Pearl Renninger
- 18 Pete Martin
- 19 Chris Storms
- 22 Lucia Shober
- 28 Cheryl Borja
- 30 Clint Cooper
Troy Cooper



Anniversaries

Clint & Lynda Cooper - 53 years on June 13



Bible Quiz



What does God compare to rain “watering the earth and making it bud and flourish, so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater”?

- A. The justice of the nations
- B. The work of God’s people
- C. The message of Isaiah the prophet
- D. God’s word



Financial Report



Treasurer's Report

The monthly report for April 2023:

Checking Account

Beginning Balance	\$69,936.30
+ Receipts	9,876.72
- Disbursements	11,547.54
Ending Balance	\$68,265.48

A copy of this information can also be found at the mailboxes in the slot marked financial reports.

April's offering only total was \$6,422.00.

Summer Solace

The best remedy for those who are afraid, lonely or unhappy is to go outside, somewhere where they can be quite alone with the heavens, nature and God. Because only then does one feel that all is as it should be and that God wishes to see people happy, amidst the simple beauty of nature. As long as this exists, and it certainly always will, I know that then there will always be comfort for every sorrow, whatever the circumstances may be. And I firmly believe that nature brings solace in all troubles.

—Anne Frank,

Diary of a Young Girl



Online Worship: We are holding worship services in person and streaming LIVE on YouTube.

If you would like to watch our service live on YouTube please click on the link below.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMUzTE3jCqaDyG2WIUzaX9w/live>

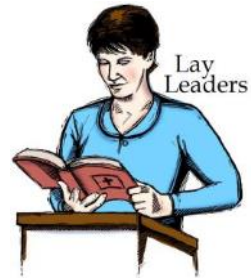


Let's celebrate our fathers and all those father figures on June 18th..

Happy Father's Day!



Monthly Volunteers



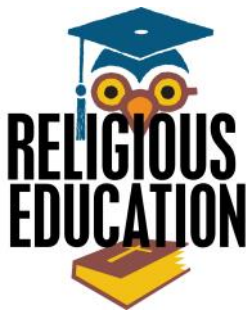
June 4 Mary Renninger
 June 11 Dee Sprecher
 June 18 Cheryl Borja
 June 25 Sara Renninger

June 4 Grace House Blessings
 June 11 Gerri Shober
 June 18 Grace Shober Smith
 June 25 Barry Gehman

July 2 Gerri Shober
 July 9 Mary Renninger
 July 16 Dee Sprecher
 July 23 Cheryl Borja
 July 30 Sara Renninger **

July 2 Grace House Blessings
 July 9 Mary Renninger
 July 16 Sharon Blechschmidt
 July 23 Kieran Connelly
 July 30 Lynda Cooper

** Indicates communion



June 4 GHB Sunday-no class
 June 11 Gerri Shober
 June 18 Kathleen Roscioli
 June 25 Cheryl Borja

June 4 Lynda Cooper
 June 11 Laura-Jeanne Iacono
 June 18 Laura-Jeanne Iacono
 June 25 Laura-Jeanne Iacono

July 2 GHB Sunday-no class
 July 9 Gerri Shober
 July 16 Kathleen Roscioli
 July 23 Barry Gehman
 July 30 Cheryl Borja

July 2 Naomi Martin
 July 9 Laura-Jeanne Iacono
 July 16 Laura-Jeanne Iacono
 July 23 Laura-Jeanne Iacono
 July 30 Laura-Jeanne Iacono

Sponsors



June 4	open
June 11	open
June 18	open
June 25	open
July 2	open
July 9	open
July 16	Ron & Renee Frederick
July 23	open
July 30	Phil & Gerri Shober



June 4	Barry Gehman
June 11	Naomi Martin
June 18	Cindy Hoffer
June 25	Sue Klaassen
July 2	Jane Hoshour
July 9	Larry Klaassen
July 16	Judy Enck
July 23	Ron Frederick
July 30	Sharon Blechschmidt

Altar Flowers

A new flower chart for 2023 is posted. If you are interested in sponsoring flowers on a particular Sunday please sign up. Forms are available next to the



chart to fill out your information. The cost for real flowers is approximately \$60. Please place the form, along with your payment, in the church office a week before your selected date. Thank you.

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Deadline for article submissions: The third Sunday of each month.



June

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4 GHB Worship 10:30 Trinity Sunday	5 Pancakes @ Paul's 6-9am	6	7	8	9 PCC Annual Meeting	10 Community Fun Day 10am -8 pm Hall Reserved
11 Community Worship @ Bowmansville Park 10:30 Consistory 11:30	12	13	14 Flag Day Mens & Ladies Bible Study 7pm	15	16	17
18 Worship 10:30 Father's Day	19 Juneteenth	20	21 First Day of Summer	22	23 Mt. Gretna Service 7pm	24
25 Worship 10:30	26 Book Club 6:30	27 Piano lessons 5:30-7:30 pm	28	29	30 Piano lessons 8:30-10:00 am	